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EDUCATION

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APPOINTMENTS

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1984-1989 Professor*

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TEACHING

I currently teach two upper division courses. In the Fall Semester of each year, I teach *Plant Biology 135* (*Physiological and Biochemical Plant Biology, 3 units*). This course is designed for students majoring in plant biology and other students seriously interested in plant physiology and biochemistry. In the Spring Semester of each year I teach *Plant Biology 180* (*Environmental Plant Biology, 2 units*). This course provides a multidisciplinary approach to the interactions of plants with their environment.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The first part of my research career centered on the study of the physiology and biochemistry of environmental stresses associated with water, mineral nutrients, salt (salinity), and toxic heavy metals. Since 1989 my research has focused on phytoremediation, the use of plants to clean up contaminated soil and water. My research approach is multidisciplinary in that my laboratory conducts research in ecology, plant physiology and biochemistry, microbiology, and molecular biology (including the genetic engineering of plants for enhanced phytoremediation). My major accomplishments include the development of the use of constructed wetlands to remove selenium and toxic heavy metals from agricultural and industrial wastewater, as well as the development of genetically engineered plants for the phytoremediation of selenium-contaminated soils. I have authored over 250 research publications, obtained 3 patents, and co-edited the book *Phytoremediation of Contaminated Soil and Water*, published by Lewis publishers, New York.

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B.Sc. Civil Engineering 1998

ACADEMIC AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Plant and Microbial Biology at the University of California, Berkeley, CA USA, April 2010-Present
 - UC Berkeley Salton Sea Research Project
 - Phytoremediation of selenium in wetland ecosystems at the Salton Sea, CA USA.
- Research assistant and teaching assistant at the Olentangy River Wetland Research Park (ORWRP) at the Ohio State University, OH USA, September 2005-September 2009.
 - Living machine, OH USA, January 2006 March 2006 (Class project)
 - Design of an indoor living machine for wastewater treatment.
 - Post-Hurricane Katrina Community plans for Pineville, MS, June 2007 -May 2007.
 - Ecological planning for the downstream riparian area of Wolf River.
 - Ecological restoration of Grave Creek on the Ohio State University Marion campus, OH, May 2007 - May 2008.
 - Channel design for dechannelization of Grave Creek.
 - Design of a riparian wetland for research, teaching, conservation and river water quality improvement.
 - Interactions between a stream channel and a riparian wetland, OH, December 2007 May 2009.
 - Design and construction of reconnection between a riparian wetland and an experimental channel at the ORWRP.
 - Simulation of natural flood pulses to restore wetland functions such as downstream water quality improvement.
 - Effects of different channel forms on water quality and ecosystem structure, OH, October 2007 -May 2009.
 - Design of three experimental streams for simulating headwater stream restoration at the ORWRP.
- Research Assistant in Water Environment Research Center (WERC), NTUT, Taipei, Taiwan, Jan. 2003-May 2005.

- The Application of Constructed Wetlands and Artificial Floating Islands in Kinmen, Taiwan, May 2004 -May 2005.
 - Design and construction of a constructed wetland for wastewater treatment.
 - Design and construction of two artificial floating islands for wastewater treatment.
- The Establishment of Ecological Engineering Parameters in Reservoir Watershed, Taiwan, March 2004 - May 2005.
 - Design of a circular experimental channel for monitoring fish behavior.
- Restoration of Neigou River, Taiwan, March 2004 May 2005.
 - Channel design for dechannelization of Neigou River through the urban area in Taipei.
 - Ecological design of riverbanks.
 - Design of a riparian wetland for river water quality improvement and species conservation.
- Community Participation in Wetland Construction-A Case Study of Tatun and Masu communities, Taiwan, October 2003 - December 2003
 - Design and construction of two wetlands for demonstration and species conservation.
- The Watershed Management of the Masu River, Taiwan, February 2003 November 2003.
 - Design and construction of a series of wetlands for mine drainage water treatment.
- The Establishment of Eco-park based on The Restoration of The Derelict
 Land. Case Study, Fu Bao Eco-Park, Taiwan, September 2000 January 2003.
 - Design and planning of coastal wetlands for migrating waterfowls.
- Lecturer, National Open University, Taipei, Taiwan, February 2003 July 2003.
- Substitute Teacher of Taipei County Tzyh Chang Junior High School, Taipei, Taiwan, February 2002 July 2002.
- Coastal Habitat Manager, Taiwan Environmental Protection Union, Changhua, Taiwan, September 2001-May 2002.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS

- Huang, J. C., 2010. Estimating interactions between a stream channel and a diversion wetland at the Olentangy River Wetland Research Park, Ohio USA. The Ecological Society of America Annual meeting. 1-8 August 2010, Pennsylvania, USA Pittsburgh.
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- Chen, Y.-C., J.-Y. Lin, E.H. Tsao, J.-C. Huang. 2005. Minimum flow estimated by the Froude number. In: World Water & Environmental Resources Congress 2005, Anchorage.
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- Lin, J. Y., and J. C. Huang. 2004. BMPs for the Mine Drainage-A Case Study of the Clay Mine in the Masu River. Journal of Taiwan Water Conservancy 52: 39-48. (In Chinese)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Outstanding Award in the Contest of Planning of Chang Hua Coastal Industrial Park of Industrial Development Bureau, 2002.
 - Design of coastal wetlands in the park for species conversation and environmental education.
- Outstanding Award in the Contest of Revivification of the Historic Building in Taiwan of Council for Cultural Affairs, 2002.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Biotransformation and interactions of selenium with mixed and pure culture biofilms
- Cloning, expression, and characterization of lactic acid bacteria recombinant prolidases

RESEARCH EXPERTISE

Microbiology; Enzymology; Gene cloning and expression; Confocal laser scanning microscopy (CLSM); Transmission electron microscopy (TEM); Synchrotron techniques including X-ray absorption spectroscopy (XAS), X-ray fluorescence imaging (XRF) and Scanning transmission X-ray microscopy (STXM).

SYNCHROTRON TRAINING/EXPERIENCE

Six years experience at the Advanced Light Source (Berkeley, CA, USA; 4.0.2.), Advanced Photon Source (Argonne, IL, USA; 2-ID-D), Canadian Light Source (Saskatoon, SK, Canada; HXMA, SGM, SM), and Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Lightsource (Menlo Park, CA, USA; BL2-3, BL7-3, BL9-3, BL10-2).

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- GS Bañuelos, SS Walse, <u>SI Yang</u>, IJ Pickering, SC Fakra, MA Marcus and JL Freeman (2012) Quantification, localization and speciation of selenium in seeds of canola and two mustard species compared to seed-meals produced by hydraulic press. *Analytical Chemistry*. 84: 6024-6030.
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- SI Yang, T Tanaka (2008) Characterization of recombinant prolidase from *Lactococcus lactis* changes in substrate specificity by metal cations, and allosteric behaviour of the peptidase. *FEBS Journal*. 275: 271-280.
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PRESENTATIONS (INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES)

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- IJ Pickering*, M Korbas, TC MacDonald, MJ Pushie, JJ Tse, SI Yang, GN George, I Coulthard (2011). From anatomic to atomic: Synchrotron imaging and speciation of inorganic elements from the environment to human health. Keynote oral presentation, Metal Toxicity and Resistance, Fifteenth International Conference on BioInorganic Chemistry (ICBIC-15). Vancouver, Canada.
- SI Yang*, GN George, JR Lawrence, JJ Dynes, B Lai, SGW Kaminskyj, IJ Pickering (2011). Selenium biotransformation in biofilm: An approach using synchrotron based hard and soft X-ray imaging techniques. <u>Poster presentation</u>. *Applied and Environmental Microbiology-Functional Interactions from Molecules to Biomes, Gordon Research Conference*. July, South Hadley, MA, USA.
- IJ Pickering*, <u>SI Yang</u>, JR Lawrence, JJ Dynes, SGW Kaminskyj and GN George (2011) Synchrotron studies of selenium sequestration in biofilms. <u>Invited oral presentation</u>. *Georgian Bay International Conference on Bioinorganic Chemistry*. May, Parry Sound, ON, Canada.
- SI Yang*, JR Lawrence, SGW Kaminskyj, IJ Pickering (2010) Biotranformation of selenium in multispecies biofilms. <u>Oral presentation</u>. *Goldschmidt Conference*. June, Knoxville, TN, USA.
- SI Yang*, T Tanaka (2007) Soluble expression and chracterization of recombinant proline-specific metallopetidase from *Lactococcus lactis*. <u>Poster presentation</u>. *American Society for Microbiology General Meeting*. May, Toronto, ON, Canada.

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INVITED PRESENTATIONS

SI Yang (2011) Biofilms biotransform selenium oxyanions. <u>Oral presentation (invited)</u>. *Canadian Light Source Annual Users' Meeting*. June, Saskatoon, SK, Canada.

SI Yang (2010) Biotranformation of selenium in multispecies biofilms. <u>Oral presentation (invited)</u>. *Canadian Institute of Health Research-Training Grant in Health Research Using Synchrotron Techniques* (CIHR-THRUST). June, Saskatoon, SK, Canada.

SELECTED RECENT SYNCHROTRON GENERAL USER PROPOSALS (AWARDED)

Advanced Photon Source (APS), Argonne, IL, USA, 2-ID-D beamline proposal: 18 shifts (144 hours) of beamtime were allocated with 'extraordinary scientific rate' (<u>spokesperson: Soo In Yang</u>, year 2010, proposal ID 21188); coinvestigators: Ingrid J. Pickering, John R. Lawrence, and Susan G.W. Kaminskyj.

Canadian Light Source (CLS), Saskatoon, SK, Canada, SM beamline proposal: 6 shifts (48 hours) of beamtime were allocated with 'excellent scientific score' (spokesperson: Soo In Yang, year 2010, proposal ID 12-2677); coinvestigators: Ingrid J. Pickering, John R. Lawrence, and Susan G.W. Kaminskyj.

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Doctoral Studies in Plant Breeding and Plant Genetics as a Research Assistant in the Horticulture Department of the University of Wisconsin, Studies of plant stress signaling.

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Research Assistant in the Cassava Genetics Unit of CIAT (International Center for Tropical Agriculture, Cali Colombia), Cassava Genetics of Agronomic Traits.

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Meeting talks:

PBD Plant Biotech in Denmark Feb. 2008. The MPK4 Map kinase cascade in plant innate immunity in Arabidopsis

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Poster presentations:

Suárez, M.C., Bernal, A., Gutiérrez, J., Tohme, J., Fregene, M. 1999. Developing Expressed sequence tags (ESTs) from polymorphic transcript-derived fragments (TDFs) in cassava (*Manihot esculenta* Crantz). Inauguration of the Latin American association for cassava. CIAT 1999

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor at the training course of molecular techniques applied to the Identification of disease resistance in crops. CIAT. Cali. Colombia

Teaching associate in the course Bio10. Biology Department CSUFresno.

Instructor in Genetics and Gene tagging Laboratory. Plant Molecular Biology course University of Copenhagen.

AWARDS

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